

Superior Court of California  
County of Merced  
Probate Department

**Probate Notes**

Probate Notes for future calendars are available from the time they are created until the morning of the scheduled hearing. Updates to the Probate Examiner's Notes typically will be posted 3 days prior to the hearing. If you are filing documents to cure a technical defect, documents should be filed a minimum of 2 court days prior to the hearing. Documents filed late will not be reviewed except on the date of the hearing at the Judge's discretion and could result in a continuance of your case.

Parties intending to appear in Court regarding their hearing must notify all other parties and call (209) 725-4111 to notify the Court of such intent by 4:00 pm on the day before the hearing.

Contacting the Probate Examiner:

Probate Examiner's email address is: [probate.examiner@mercedcourt.org](mailto:probate.examiner@mercedcourt.org)

Emails must have the case identification information and hearing date/time in the subject line. No attachments will be opened. The Probate Examiner can only respond to inquiries regarding the meaning of comments in the Notes. *Please do not email to notify that documents have been filed, to request a confirmation whether documents have been received or to request the clearing of notes.* No legal or procedural advice may be given by the Examiner in response to your email.

Questions regarding fees, forms or status of orders should be directed to the Probate Unit of the Clerk's Office at (209) 725-4111 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday – Friday.

Superior Court of California, County of Merced  
PROBATE CALENDAR  
HONORABLE: Donald Proietti

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DATE: Friday, September 1, 2023  
TIME: 8:15 AM & 8:30 AM  
Courtroom 10  
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PROBATE CALENDAR

The following tentative rulings shall become the ruling of the court unless a party gives notice of intention to appear as follows:

1. You must call (209) 725-4240 to notify the court of your intent to appear.
2. You must give notice to all other parties before 4:00 p.m. of your intent to object.

Per California Rules of Court, rule 3.1308(a)(1), failure to do both items 1 and 2 will result in no oral argument. **Parties who contest the tentative ruling or wish to appear remotely at a hearing must contact the clerk of the Court at (209) 725-4111 to provide their contact information for the remote hearing.**

**CASE#:** 21PR-00193

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Julian Regalado

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from June 2, 2023 re: Status on Sale

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:**

None.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

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**CASE#:** 22PR-00217

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Kevin Lee Harris

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

1. Petition on Waiver of First and Final Account and Final Distribution; Fee Request
2. Continued from June 29, 2023 re: Status Review

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:**

1. Court's discretion concerning Administrator's request for reimbursement for pre-probate fees paid to counsel.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

**CASE#:** 23PR-00229

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Hide M. Mrozek

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from August 7, 2023 re: Petition for Letters of Testamentary with Full IAEA Authority

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:**

1. Will has not been lodged with the Court. Prob Code §8200 \*Corrected

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Petition for Letters of Testamentary with Full IAEA Authority is granted. Decedent's will is admitted into Probate. A Status hearing ensuring the continued administration of the estate to be set for April 29, 2024 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

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**CASE#:** 18PR-00116

**CASE NAME:** In re: Robert F. Flynn 2017 Living Trust established March 28, 2017

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from August 25, 2023 re: Further Status Review/Completion of Settlement Agreement

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:**

None.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

**CASE#:** 23PR-00204

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Kyong Cha Gann

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Continued from July 28, 2023 re: Petition for Ancillary Administration with Full IAEA Authority

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTED:**

1. No Notice has been provided to the Korean Consulate. Prob Code §8113  
[\\*Corrected.](#)

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Petition for Ancillary Administration with Full IAEA Authority is granted. A Status hearing ensuring the continued administration of the estate to be set for April 3, 2024 at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 10.

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**8:30 AM CALENDAR**

**CASE#:** 16PR-00043

**CASE NAME:** Conservatorship of Robert Harris

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

Fourth and Final Account and Report of Conservator; Request for Fees

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:**

None.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Fourth and Final Account and Report of Conservator; Request for Fees is approved.

**CASE#:** 20PR-00204

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Alan Bettencourt

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

1. Continued from July 28, 2023 re: Petition for First and Final Account and Final Distribution; Request for Fees
2. Amended Petition for First and Final Account and Final Distribution; Fee Request

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTED:**

1. Satisfaction/Release of Claim has not been filed by creditor Linda Winfield.  
*\*remains outstanding for 9/1/23 hearing.*

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

Appearance required.

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**CASE#:** 21PR-00333

**CASE NAME:** Estate of Gavin Keith Macauley

**THIS CASE IS SET FOR HEARING ON:**

First and Final Statement of Public Administrator Regarding Summary Disposition of Estate

**THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PAPERS ARE NOTED:**

None.

**TENTATIVE RULING:**

First and Final Statement of Public Administrator Regarding Summary Disposition of Estate is approved.

(End of Tentative Rulings)